Amendments to the Claims

 (previously presented) A method of location authentication, the method comprising:

receiving a message from a mobile device, the message having significance independent of reporting a geographical location of the mobile device and an automatically generated location stamp attached to an overhead portion of the message, the location stamp indicating the geographical location of the mobile device as an origin of the message;

confirming an identity of a sender of the message based on the location stamp; and

determining whether the geographical location identified by the location stamp corresponds to a predetermined location relevant to at least one action identified from the message, the at least one action comprising a charge to an account.

- 2. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising: activating a locating device associated with the mobile device; utilizing the locating device to provide the geographical location; and generating the location stamp based on the geographical location.
- 3. (previously presented) The method of claim 2, wherein utilizing the locating device to provide the geographical location further comprises:

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utilizing the locating device to provide the geographical location using longitude and latitude values corresponding to the geographical location.

- 4. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising: utilizing an application program associated with the mobile device to generate the message.
- 5. (previously presented) The method of claim 4, further comprising: utilizing the application program to configure the message to further comprise a voice message.
- 6. (previously presented) The method of claim 4, further comprising: utilizing the application program to configure the message to further comprise a text message.
 - 7. (canceled).
 - (previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising: 8. transmitting the message from the mobile device to a receiving station.
 - 9. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising: receiving the message via a wireless communication system.

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- 10. (canceled).
- 11. (canceled).
- 12. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein determining whether the geographical location identified by the location stamp corresponds to a predetermined location relevant to at least one action identified from the message, the at least one action comprising a charge to an account, further comprises:

determining whether the geographical location identified by the location stamp corresponds to a predetermined location relevant to at least one action identified from the message, the at least one action comprising a charge to an account, wherein the at least one action further comprises a delivery.

- 13. (canceled).
- 14. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein determining whether the geographical location identified by the location stamp corresponds to a predetermined location relevant to at least one action identified from the message, the at least one action comprising a charge to an account, further comprises:

determining whether the geographical location identified by the location stamp corresponds to a predetermined location relevant to at least one action

M-8917 US - 4 - Serial No.: 09/696,446 Examiner: Nalven, A. Group Art Unit: 2134 identified from the message, the at least one action comprising a charge to an account, wherein the charge is a credit card charge.

15. (canceled).

16. (previously presented) The method of claim 8, further comprising: intercepting the message at a processing center before the message reaches the receiving station; and

converting the location stamp into a form suitable for the receiving station at the processing center.

17. (previously presented) A location authentication system comprising:

a receiver station configured to receive a message from a mobile device, the message having a significance independent of reporting a geographical location of the mobile device and a location stamp attached to an overhead portion of the message, the location stamp indicating the geographical location; and, wherein the receiver station is configured to confirm an identity of a sender of the message based on the location stamp and determine whether the geographical location identified by the location stamp corresponds to a predetermined location relevant to at least one action identified from the message, the at least one action comprising a charge to an account.

M-8917 US Examiner: Nalven, A. Serial No.: 09/696,446 Group Art Unit: 2134 18. (previously presented) The system of claim 17, further comprising a global positioning satellite (GPS) system.

19. (previously presented) The system of claim 17, further comprising a wireless telephone system.

20. (previously presented) The system of claim 17, wherein the geographical location is expressed in terms of latitude and longitude values.

21. (previously presented) The system of claim 17, wherein the message includes a voice message from the sender.

22. (previously presented) The system of claim 17, wherein the message includes a text message that the sender entered.

23. (canceled).

24. (previously presented) The system of claim 17, further comprising a transmitter that conforms to a protocol of a wireless communication system.

25. (canceled).

26. (previously presented) The system of claim 17, wherein the at least

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- 27. (canceled).
- 28. (previously presented) The system of claim 17, wherein the charge is a credit card charge.
 - 29. (canceled).
- 30. (previously presented) The system of claim 17, further comprising:
 a processing center configured to intercept the message before the
 message reaches the receiving station and convert the location stamp into a form
 suitable for the receiving station.

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